

ALETON BUILDING
Birmingham Industrial District
2400 5th Street
Tuscaloosa
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Location: 2400 6th Street, Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa
County, Alabama.

Date of
Construction: 1909

Significance: Tuscaloosa's first skyscraper, built on
technology established in Chicago.

Project
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Historical
Overview: Tuscaloosa's antebellum courthouse gave way
to construction of the city's first
skyscraper in 1909. The classically-styled
tower rose seven stories and was topped by a
roof-top garden and towering electric sign
which read "Try Tuscaloosa."